



## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS  
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Mrs. Helen H. Stathatos

Mr. Frank S. Bacio  
Mr. Vito Cannella  
Ms. Rita Hall  
Mr. John A. Hammargren  
Mr. Carl E. Moore

### **MINUTES OF THE** **SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS** **REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING** **FEBRUARY 6, 2008**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Montaña called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

#### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Chair Montaña led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

##### **Present**

Chair Eleanor R. Montaña  
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos  
Frank Bacio  
Vito Cannella  
Rita Hall

##### **Excused Absence**

John A. Hammargren  
Carl E. Moore

##### **Staff**

Janice A. Davis, Commission Services Staff  
Garen Khachian, Commission Services Staff  
Andrew Sevrin, Commission Services Staff

#### **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 30, 2008 MINUTES**

**On motion of Commissioner Cannella, seconded by Commissioner Stathatos, and unanimously carried, the minutes of January 30, 2008 were approved, with the following changes:**

- On page 3, under "Facility/Group Home Inspection Reports" for Five Acres, change "satisfactory condition" to "*unsatisfactory condition*".

- Same paragraph, under “Areas of Concern”, change “Bedrooms were messy” to *“Bedrooms were very messy”*...

Commissioner Cannella joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

### **CHAIR’S REPORT**

There were none.

### **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission’s Charitable Fund is \$974.23.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Ms. Janice Davis, Staff, Commission Services gave the following report:

- Arrangements for transportation to Pitchess Detention Center on February 26, 2008, are in process and staff will update the Commission at the next meeting.

### **REPORTING GUIDELINES FOR DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES**

County Counsel will meet with the Commission on February 20, 2008, to discuss the “Reporting Guidelines for Department Representatives”.

### **INSPECTION REPORTING FORMS**

Item deferred to the next meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The St. Anne’s Group Home Newsletter, Winter 2008, was received.

### **FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS FROM JANUARY 30, 2008 TO FEBRUARY 5, 2008**

#### **Five Acres – 21, #1 – Commissioner Stathatos**

The facility was visited on January 31, 2008, and found to be in excellent condition.

#### **Teens Happy Home – 57, #5 – Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore**

The facility was visited on January 31, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Area of Concern:** A client over 18-years of age is still housed at the facility and should be sent to a transitional home by DCFS. The home informed the Commissioners, DCFS has not been reimbursing them for housing the client.

**GLASS Home (Summer's Licata) – 25, #1 – Commissioners Hammargren and Montaña**

The facility was visited on February 4, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

**Optimist Boys Home – 44, #5 – Commissioner Stathatos**

The facility was visited on February 4, 2008, and no one was home. A phone call to the central office revealed that the home was closed due to a decrease in revenues.

**Dangerfield Group Home – 13, #1 – Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore**

The facility was visited on February 5, 2008, and no one was home.

**NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Chair Stathatos reported:

- “Ontario Opens Its Doors To The Needy”, Los Angeles Times, February 3, 2008, regarding a tent city in Ontario, California for homeless citizens and its effect on children.

Commissioner Cannella congratulated Chair Montaña on her award for 25 years of service on the Human Relations Commission.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

**MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)**

There were none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Montaña adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Janice A. Davis*  
Commission Services Division